(i) proper regulation and control of traffic, particulary during the peak hours to ensure hassle free movement of traffic and reduction in journey time;

(ii) enforcement of traffic laws & rules and regulations to check traffic violations and to bring road discipline amongst drivers;

(iii) education of motorists and other road users to observe road safety norms and to give due regard and respect to other road users;

(iv) vigilance on roads by Traffic Police, Police Control Room (PCR) and Mobile Teams; and

(v) strict legal action against the aggressors involved in road rage.

Coastal Security Scheme

2568. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any proposal from the State Governments regarding coastal security scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any revised proposal to upgrade additional coastal Police Stations has been received;

(d) whether many sensitive areas are not effectively covered under patrolling by the coastal guards/BSF because of lack of suitable boats; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, a comprehensive Coastal Security Scheme based on the recommendations of Group of Ministers on 'Reforming the National Security System' was formulated after consulation with all stakeholders, 9 Coastal States and 4 UTs.

Under the Scheme, 73 Coastal Police Stations, 97 check posts, 58 outposts and 30 operational barracks have been approved. The Police Stations will be provided with 204 vessels fitted with modern navigational and maritime equipments. 153 jeeps and 312 motorcycles have also been approved. A lum sum assistance of Rs. 10 lakhs per Police Station has also been approved for computers and equipments, etc.

The approved five-year outlay for the Scheme is Rs. 400 crores for non-recurring expenditure and Rs. 151 crores for recurring expenditure on fuel, maintenance and repairs of vessels and training of personnel.

(c) Yes, Sir. A proposal from Government of Gujarat was received in 2006-07 for upgrading of the existing 40 police stations. But, the proposal could not be considered as the ongoing Coastal Security Scheme, which is under implementation since 2005-06 is approved for five years and any such proposal could be considered only at the time of review after that. The State Government was informed accordingly.

(d) and (e) No Sir, Indian Coast Guard is regularly deploying ships and aircrafts in addition to hovercrafts and interceptor boats to carry out patrolling of sensitive areas. BSF is also

manning the area under their jurisdiction with sufficient number of available watercrafts and other vessels.

For further strengthening of patrolling in the coastal waters, the Govt. has awarded contract to M/s. Goa Shipyard Ltd. (GSL) and M/s. Garden Research Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd. (GRSE) for supply of 110 boats of 12 ton capacity and 84 boats of 5 ton capacity.

Making police sensitive to protect the secular ethos of country

2569. KUMARI NIRMALA DESHPANDE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to change the mindset of the police, so that they become more sensitive to discharge their duty to protect the secular ethos of our country; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) The police personnel are appointed and trained in the police training establishments in the States and UTs. Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) advises on curricula for such training courses that, *inter alia,* include modules on sensitization to secularism. In-service courses, seminars and workshops are also organised on topics related to rights of minority communities, communal harmony, special policing needs of minorities and other related aspects.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Infiltration of Naxalities into unknown areas

†2570. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Naxalities have infiltrated into the States where their activities were hitherto unknown;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Naxalities have also entered the trade of supply of Heroin, Brown Sugar and other psychotropic substances;

(c) whether it is also a fact that they are in collusion with the police of some States who disregard Naxalite activities; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that country's Naxalities have formed a nexus with Maoists of Nepal and Pakistan's ISI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) In 2007, 1565 incidents and 696 casualties were reported from 361 police stations in 13 States; in 2006, 1509 incidents and 678 casualties were reported from 395 police stations in 11 States; and in 2005, 1608 incidents and 677 casualties were reported from 460 police stations in 11 States.

(b) Some available inputs suggest that cannabis cultivation and its trade have become a source of finance for the CPI(Maoist) in some parts in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and Orissa. In its strongholds, the CPI (Maoist) collects 'levy' from licensee

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.